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WASHINGTON - SEN. THOMAS J. DODD, D-CONN., TODAY DEMANDED THE LIGHTLATE
DISMISSAL OF A U.S. INFORMATION AGENCE EXPERT ON RUSSIA. HE SAID THE OFFICIAL
"ADVANCED THE THEME THAT WE ARE NOT TOO DIFFERENT FROM THE COMMUNISTS."

DODD'S ATTACK WAS LEVELED AT DR. RALPH K. WHITE, CHIEF OF THE SOVIET BLOC DIVISION IN THE USIA OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS. HE ASSAILED WHITE FOR A SPEECH THE USIA OFFICIAL MADE SEPT. 4 TO THE AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

THE SENATOR ALSO SAID CONGRESS SHOULD "THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATE" THE INFORMATION AGENCY ITSELF TO FIND OUT "IF DR. WHITE'S PHILOSOPHY IS AN ISOLATED PHENOMENON" OR REPRESENTS THE GENERAL OPINION OF OTHER OFFICIALS.

DODD SAID IN A PREPARED SENATE SPRECH THAT WHITE ALSO SUGGESTED IN THE SPEECH THAT THE UNITED STATES TAKE THE BLAME FOR THE ILL-PATED U-2 SPY PLANE INCIDENT AND FOR AIDING ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN FREEDOM FIGHTERS.

"DR. WHITE SHOULD BE SUMMARILY DISMISSED FROM HIS POST FOR HE HAS REVEALED
HIMSELF AS NOT ONLY UNABLE TO EFFECTIVELY PRESENT TO THE WORLD THE AMERICAN
POSITION AND THE POSITION OF FREEDOM IN THIS MORTAL STRUGGLE FOR SURVIVAL BETWEEN
DECENCY AND EVIL: HE APPARENTLY IS UNABLE EVEN TO UNDERSTAND AND EMBRACE IT,"
DODD SAID.

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